

## DECISION



THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

## FILE:

B-215755

DATE: July 24, 1984

## MATTER OF:

International Brotherhood of Electrical  
Workers Local Union 1547

## DIGEST:

Labor union protest alleging that awardee had an unfair competitive advantage and participated in collusive bidding practices is dismissed because Union is not an "interested" party for purposes of these issues under GAO Bid Protest Procedures.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union 1547, Anchorage, Alaska (Union), protests the award of a contract to Anderson and Wood Co. (Anderson). The Union alleges that Anderson had an unfair competitive advantage and participated in collusive bidding practices.

We dismiss the protest.

Our Bid Protest Procedures require that a party be "interested" in order that its protest be considered. 4 C.F.R. § 21.1(a) (1983). We do not find the Union to be an interested party in this case for purposes of questioning the propriety of award to Anderson because other bidders on the solicitation are intermediate parties of greater interest. See Union of Public Works Center, San Francisco Bay Employees, B-214206, March 12, 1984, 84-1 C.P.D. ¶ 286.

*Harry R. Van Cleve*  
Harry R. Van Cleve  
Acting General Counsel

029534